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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: EXERCISE HILEX-8: SOVIET RESPONSE CELL

REF: USNATO 00081 DTG 051119Z JAN 78.

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1. AS ANTICIPATED REFTEL, THERE FOLLOWS IN PARA 2 BELOW  
THE TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE COUNCIL  
OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE TO USNATO COUNCIL OPERATIONS AND  
EXERCISES COMMITTEE REP REQUESTING THE IDENTITY OF THE US  
POLITICAL EXPERT DESIGNATED TO WORK AS A MEMBER OF THE  
SOVIET RESPONSE CELL FOR EXERCISE HILEX-8. ACTION  
REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE NLT COB JAN 20, 1978.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

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YOU WILL RECALL THAT, AT ITS MEETING ON 8TH JULY, 1977,  
THE COUNCIL OPERATIONS AND EXERCISES COMMITTEE, WHILE  
AGREEING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, ON A TRIAL BASIS, OF A  
SOVIET RESPONSE CELL DURING EXERCISE HILEX-8, TOOK NOTE OF  
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YOUR STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT THE UNITED STATES  
OFFERED TO PROVIDE A POLITICAL EXPERT TO WORK AS MEMBER  
OF THIS RESPONSE CELL (AC/237-DS/175, PARA II(2)(D).

SINCE WE ARE APPROACHING THE STARTING DATE OF HILEX-8,  
AND DETAILED STAFF ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE, I WOULD BE  
GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD KINDLY COMMUNICATE TO THIS DIRECTO-

RATE THE NAME AND TITLE OF THE US POLITICAL EXPERT.  
END TEXT.  
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